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Upstart was launched in late 1999 with an investor base including Sumitomo Corporation, France Telecom, Societe Generale, the partners of two multi-billion dollar investment funds, Leo Hindery (CEO of Global Crossing), Bill Joy (founder of Sun Microsystems), and select Internet industry CEOs.

Upstart's advisory board includes Jean-Claude Latombe (Chair of the Stanford CS Department), Bill Pade (lead of McKinsey's Silicon Valley practice), Doug Solomon (Chief Strategy Officer of Palm Computer) and Leo Hindery.

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